

GLEANINGS FROM THE WAYSIDE.

A few weeks have passed since our last bundle of gleanings appeared, but we have not been idle. In our last communication we stated that we would go to the city of Indianapolis to join wife and daughter for a short visit. When we arrived in the city we expected to surprise them, but the surprise reverted. They had just left some twenty minutes before I got there. They only went out in the country some fourteen miles. We telegraphed them, and they came back on the morning train. My wife's mother is sick and she was assisting in caring for her.

We went from there to Pleasant Hill, O., to a meeting which continued a few days over two weeks. The weather was somewhat against us a part of the time, but our audience increased all the time until the close, when we could scarcely accommodate the people. Good interest prevailed, the church much revived, and two precious souls added to the number, with others almost persuaded. All in all, the church thought they had a good meeting, and the citizens of the town were very much interested, and we think that the end is not yet.

We were completely surprised one night after church when we returned to our stopping place, at the residence of Brother and Sister Longnecker to find the house full of citizens of the town, many who had been to church and had beat a hasty retreat and got in before I did. This surprise was not perpetrated by the church, but by the citizens. Last May I delivered the address for them on Decoration Day, and they kindly remembered me with many good and useful presents for myself and family, for which we all join in expressing our sincere thanks to our many friends in Pleasant Hill and vicinity. May peace and prosperity crown your efforts.

We stayed with the Brethren at Maple Grove two nights on our way here, had a pleasant meeting. But with all the pleasantness of a minister's life there are many clouds of sorrow pass by.

On Sunday afternoon we were called to anoint an aged sister at Covington, O. Hope the Lord will bless her in her affliction. On Monday we were called to anoint a Methodist brother in Hartford City, Ind. The readers of the EVANGELIST will call to mind that we stated a few weeks ago of anointing a Methodist sister. The Lord raised her up from her bed of affliction. Now her husband is prostrate, and he called for us to officiate. They were formerly members of the Conservative church.

We have not been home but one day in

six weeks. That is not very pleasant to be deprived of the association of home, sweet home. When our revival season is over, then we can be at home more. I am at College Corner, Ind., one of my charges, holding meeting. Just begun and have been rained out two nights, but we hope the weather will settle, and the Lord bless our labors for good. Brethren pray for us. Yours for salvation.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

North Manchester, Ind.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD.

Praise the Lord, another campaign has just closed, and the victory is on the side of the Lord. We commenced a meeting at Godfrey school house, Bourbon Co., Kans., Dec. 2, 7:30 P. M., and continued each evening but one until last evening, the 15th inst., with seven additions by confessions. Five were baptized on the afternoon of the fifteenth, two undecided, as to where they will make their home. This has been a hard campaign. Had but one member at this place in the beginning, but at present prospects are favorable for an organization soon at Godfrey. The accessions here are first class. The baptized were all young ladies, and of the very best of the community. Closed with the best of interest, and good attendance. Shall possibly hold another series of meetings at this place in the early spring. Believe a good K. C. Society can be organized among the young people in the community of which will report later. Am through at present with protracted work in my immediate charge, and could attend to calls if needed almost any time and any place in Kanemorado District, on the most reasonable terms. Shall do my best in swelling the list of the EVANGELIST up to the 3000 mark, but shall not be able to send in list till in January of '96. Shall try and put the paper in every home of our brethren, in this section of Kansas. It is just as needful to put the paper in every Christian home, as revival services are for the church. Without its valuable after assistance our evangelistic work is greatly impaired, its visits are weekly and healthful to the babes in Christ especially.

Parsons, Kans.

A. J. HIXON.

TO MAKE our reliance on Providence both pious and rational, we should prepare all things with the same care and diligence as if there were no such thing as Providence to depend upon; and then we should as wholly and humbly rely upon it as if we had made no preparation at all; for if we trust God we may be sure of all that Omnipotence can do for us.—*South.*

Items of Interest.

—Chief Justice Fuller has decided that he cannot accept a place on the Venezuelan Commission.

—It has been decided by the United States Court that pension money can not be attached or levied upon for debts.

—There are at present 1,104 convicts in the Kentucky state prison, and the expenses are much greater than the income.

—It is said that Russia has been ready for two years to advance the United States gold to the amount of \$400,000,000 if necessary.

—On December 18, the wreck of the schooner Victoria was found on the northern coast of Newfoundland. Twenty-two lives were lost.

—For the purpose of making and maintaining a reserve supply of ammunition for the navy, a bill has been introduced in Congress appropriating \$1,500,000.

—There is a growing movement on foot for the providing of all school children with free text books, without regard to the question of necessity in each case.

—It is said that Governor McKinley is satisfied with the revenue measure passed by the National house, thinking it the best that could have been devised for the emergency.

—It is said on good authority that China intends to recall Admiral Lang and give him absolute control of her navy. This is taken as evidence by the Japanese that China is preparing for another fight with Japan.

—If desired the Spanish Government will permit the Venezuela Commission to consult any desired documents in Madrid, with the understanding that by so doing she does not commit herself to the Monroe doctrine as an arbitrator of international law.

—There was a panic on the London Stock Exchange, Dec. 20, owing to the war scare created by President Cleveland's message and the action of the House of Representatives, and partly to the recent heavy depletion in the gold reserve of the United States.

—It appears from the recent reports of the excise commission that Brooklyn, with a population of about one million, has 4,699 places in which liquor may be sold. Boston, with about half a million population, has 690 saloons, Philadelphia 1,354, and New York 7,300.

WHEN we give grudgingly, we do not give at all.